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Mr. Thomas M. Johnson

Dear Mr. Johnson:

Your letter of 18 August arrived today, and I am answering it immediately in order that your plans may not be entirely disturbed.

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> Thank you for your kind comments and with best wishes, believe me,

> > Sincerely,

R. H. Hillenkoetter Rear Admiral, USM

Director of Central Intelligence

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eko454 Note for record: Reply received, dated 23 Aug 48. "Many thanks for your prompt reply. I am sorry you cannot accept for Sept but very glad that you can for November. Immediately on my return to New York, I will check on this and shall be glad to get in touch with you on your return to this country. However I think very propably that it can be arranged for some Wesnesday in the latter half of November. Wishing you a pleasant and successful trip abroad, I am. **"

Note for Record: Basic letter of 18 Aug 48 sent to Central Records for file on 11/3/48.

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